

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning AB 2504 without my signature.

The health and well-being of our children is a very important personal issue to me and I am supportive of the author's efforts to provide healthy food alternatives to California's schools. Unfortunately this bill includes language that would make its provisions contingent upon the enactment of SB 1566 (Escutia), which failed passage in the Assembly. As a result, even if signed, this bill would never become operative.

For this reason, I am unable to sign the bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger